

R E S O L U T I O N

1           WHEREAS, Bellaire High School sophomore Jared Clark has  
2 qualified for a spot on Team USA in the draft-legal duathlon event  
3 at the ITU Multisport World Championships Festival, which is being  
4 held in Penticton, Canada, in August 2017; and

5           WHEREAS, Mr. Clark earned his chance to compete with Team USA  
6 for a world title after placing third in his age division at the  
7 Draft-Legal Sprint World Championship Qualifier that took place in  
8 New Orleans on November 6, 2016; and

9           WHEREAS, The son of David and Lagenia Clark, Mr. Clark has  
10 distinguished himself as a rising star in the field of multisport  
11 racing, which includes running and biking; he has competed in more  
12 than 80 multisport contests, and he became one of the youngest  
13 people to ever complete a 70.3-mile half ironman-distance race in  
14 2013, when he finished the Oil Man Texas Triathlon at age 12; and

15           WHEREAS, Adding extra motivation to his racing endeavors, the  
16 Clark family founded Justin's TRIumph, a group that raises  
17 awareness of a rare genetic disorder called Giant Axonal  
18 Neuropathy, with which both Mr. Clark's twin brother, Justin, as  
19 well as his younger sister, Lexi, have been diagnosed; together  
20 with over 90 other athletes, Mr. Clark has helped garner more than  
21 \$337,000 for GAN research by participating in multisport events as  
22 members of Justin's TRIumph Reason2Race teams; and

23           WHEREAS, This talented athlete has demonstrated tireless  
24 dedication and remarkable skill, and he may take justifiable pride

1 in his achievements; now, therefore, be it

2           RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas  
3 Legislature hereby congratulate Jared Clark on qualifying for Team  
4 USA in the draft-legal duathlon event at the 2017 ITU Multisport  
5 World Championships Festival and extend to him sincere best wishes  
6 for continued success; and, be it further

7           RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be  
8 prepared for Mr. Clark as an expression of high regard by the Texas  
9 House of Representatives.

Davis of Harris

H.R. No. 125

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Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 125 was adopted by the House on  
February 23, 2017, by a non-record vote.

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Chief Clerk of the House